



Robert G. Oppenheimer

Oppenheimer In Air Force Reserve Officers Training

PORTSMOUTH, N.H. — Robert G. Oppenheimer, son of Mr. and Mrs. H.R. Oppenheimer of 122 Edward St., Agawam, is participating in a U.S. Air Force Reserve Officers' Training Corps (AFROTC) field training encampment at Pease AFB, N.H.

He is one of some 5700 AFROTC cadets attending four-week encampments this summer at Air Force installations throughout the country.

During the encampment cadets become familiar with the life and activities on Air Force bases and can examine career opportunities in which they might wish to serve as officers.

Other highlights of the course include survival training, aircraft and aircrew indoctrination, small arms training and visits to other Air Force bases.

Cadet Oppenheimer, a 1964 graduate of Agawam High School where he was a member of the National Honor Society, is a member of the AFROTC unit at the University of Massachusetts.

Are You Overpaying On Your Charge Accounts?

WESTFIELD — State Senator George D. Hammond of Westfield, a foe of the merchant practice of charging interest on the unpaid balance of charge accounts, said today Attorney General Elliot L. Richardson has supported his contention that there must be prior agreement between store and customer before the interest can be charged.

Senator Hammond quoted the attorney general as warning consumers "to beware of the practice on the part of some stores of assessing late charges to which they are not entitled."

"There is a situation," the attorney general said, "where it is proper for a store to add late charges, but this is only where there is a prior agreement between the parties. I am concerned that some people, who have not so agreed, are being billed an additional sum for late charges, usually after 30 days, and are paying them in the mistaken belief that they are obligated to do so."

Attorney General Richardson said the matter had come to the attention of his office as a result of the legislation that had been filed by Senator Hammond. He expressed the hope that "this warning would be sufficient to stop those engaged in this practice and that further action would not become necessary."

Earlier in the current session of the Legislature, Senator Hammond had filed a bill which would prohibit assessment of charge account interest until 90 days after the bill had been rendered. Eventually, he amended his bill to limit any interest charge until 45 days after the submission of the bill to the customer.

The bill — Senate 525 — passed the Senate and went to the House of Representatives where it was passed to a second reading. It then went to the House Committee

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What good did the hearing do us? What are we to expect from the State Health Department? That dump has been burning night after night, with no regard to our welfare. This is NOT the right time to keep quiet. If you value your health, get on your telephone and start complaining. Our Selectmen will put pressure on the state level if they hear from us. Call them! Longmeadow Police Department is the only place open at night over there. Call them! The State Health Department is located in the State House, Boston. Call them!

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Food Stamp Program Comes To Mass.

Governor John A. Volpe announced today that the state has made arrangements with the U.S. Department of Agriculture for a food stamp program for 192,000 low income Massachusetts families.

Eligible will be households receiving any form of financial public assistance and non-public assistance households with incomes under certain ceilings.

Governor Volpe said each person will receive an average of \$6 a month in free stamps. The over-all total will approximate \$14 million a year.

The Federal Government pays the entire cost of the stamp program.

"I am immensely pleased we are bringing this program to Massachusetts. It is an excellent method for helping families to safeguard their health through better nutrition," Governor Volpe said.

Department of Agriculture officials from Washington and New York are coming to Massachusetts, Wednesday to finalize operating procedures with state welfare officials. Groundwork between the governor's office and Washington has been going on for several weeks.

Conferring with them will be Walter A. Kelly, state director of Public Assistance, and William Herlihy, food stamp program coordinator for the state.

Under the law, each of the Commonwealth's 351 cities and towns set up and conduct their own programs with the state in the role of coordinator.

In anticipation of the program many communities have made preliminary preparations with assistance from the state welfare department.

Boston plans to start its program October first. Other cities such as Worcester, Cambridge, Springfield, Revere, and Pittsfield expect to get going by the fall.

Governor Volpe said he is hopeful all communities in the state will be participating as quickly as possible.

The only expense to the local communities is 37-1/2 per cent of the cost for certifying the el-

on Bills in third reading, where it is undergoing further legal study.

Senator Hammond said he also has brought the matter before the Massachusetts Council, "which was aware of the existence of these interest charges and felt that remedial action was required to protect the consumers against the unfair added charges."

igibility of non-public assistance applicants, and also the cost for issuance of stamps, about 70 cents a month for each household.

Recipients purchase stamps with their own money. The program generally will work this way:

Twice a month, householders receive food stamp authorization cards on which will be stated the amount of stamps in cash value to which they are entitled, and how much money they must pay to purchase the stamps.

They take these authorization cards to an appointed agency — perhaps welfare office, town treasurer, auditor, or even a neighborhood bank — where they make the cash-for-stamps transaction.

The stamps, actually they appear more like check-style coupons, are in books. They are in two paper denominations, 50 cents and \$2.00.

Theoretically, the amount families pay for stamps represents what they would be spending, budgetwise, for food with their incomes. The difference in what they pay for the stamps and what the stamps are worth will allow that much more for the table.

For example, a family of four with an approximate monthly income of \$285 would be able to purchase \$104 worth of stamps for \$80.

The stamps will be usable at authorized stores. They can also be used for food delivered at the home, such as milk, eggs, bread, etc.

In addition to aiding low income families to maintain healthier diets, the program is economically beneficial to the community. In areas where there have been pilot programs, sales in retail food stores have increased 8 per cent.

Persons living alone, providing they have the means to prepare meals, are eligible.

There is no age limit on children in a household, such as a cut-off from participating after reaching 21.

The precise income limitation for non-public assistance households eligibility will be determined at Wednesday's meeting.

Welfare officials estimate 162,000 public assistance people will be eligible, plus 30,000 from low income families.

Two Police Dogs Stolen

A thief stole two police dogs from a kennel at the home of Gus Crittenden in a suburb of Niagara Falls.



Diane Gallerani

Diane Gallerani To Serve On Model Congress Committee

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. — American International College's 28th annual Model Congress will be held March 21 to 23, 1968, according to John F. Sawka, Jr. of 7 Dale St., Chicopee Falls, Mass. Model Congress annually attracts about 300 of the most outstanding high school students and their faculty advisors from all sections of the Northeast to the AIC campus.

Mr. Sawka, AIC undergraduate chairman, also announced his staff for the event which is now in the planning stage.

Among his chairmen is Diane Gallerani of 361 Suffield St., secretary.

For the past two years the opening assembly of Model Congress featured the presentation of honorary AIC doctorate degrees to Gov. John N. Dempsey of Connecticut in 1966 and Gov. Philip H. Hoff of Vermont in 1967. Both governors delivered the opening address.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS ANNUAL PAGEANT

The annual search for New England's most typical high school girls in the six state region was announced today.

Six high school queens, representing each state in New England, will be chosen, and one of the winners will also serve as Miss High School of New England.

The colorful pageant to determine the winners chosen on the basis of good scholastic standing, extracurricular school activities, beauty, poise, speech and talent will be staged late in August at Pleasure Island, 170-acre fun park on Route 128 in Wakefield.

Competition is open to high school girls from 13 to 17-years old who are in the ninth to twelfth grade in school.

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New GI Bill Checks For College To Come Early

Checks for more than two hundred thousand veterans who will attend college next fall under the new GI Bill for Vietnam veterans will arrive about ten days earlier each month because of an improved system adopted by the Veterans' Administration.

Under the previous system, recipients of the checks had to tell the Veterans' Administration each month of their enrollment status, changes in their studies and number of hours attended. A card for this purpose was enclosed with each check with instructions for the veteran student to complete it and return it to the appropriate VA office at the end of the month. The need to process the cards before the next check was mailed caused the checks to arrive about the 20th of the month.

Future checks will normally arrive about the 10th of the month. The 10-day speed-up results from dropping the requirement for monthly certification. Now a veteran who is attending a regular course at an approved college or university certifies his attendance at the beginning of the school year. Checks continue as long as he continues in regular attendance or until his eligibility expires. The additional certifications required are handled independently of the checks.

Agawam Jaycee To Sponsor Jr. Golf Tournament

A Junior Golf Tournament for all area youngsters sponsored by the Agawam Jaycees will be held at the Feeding Hills Country Club on July 24th. Anyone who has not reached the age of 18 as of September 1st is eligible.

The purpose of the tournament is to promote good sportsmanship and to afford the opportunity to young people to play golf competitively. Play will commence at 8:30 a.m. with the Hole In One Contest played on the third hole.

Trophies will be awarded to winners of the Open and Novice Division. The winner of the Open Division will be entered in the Regional Contest to be held in Chicopee, the winner of which will have the opportunity to play in the qualifying round of the Greater Hartford Open.

Entry forms may be obtained from Feeding Hills Country Club, Don's Pizzeria, Springfield St. or by contacting tournament chairman Herb Carpenter, 99 Memorial Drive.

Entries must be received by July 21st.

The right to dissent is a sacred right. I want to warn all Americans now that one of the most precious freedoms we have is the right to be different, yes, even the right to be obnoxiously different. — Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey.

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Role of The Nurse In Coronary Care

Gerald H. Whipple, M.D.
Vice-President, Massachusetts Heart Association

Those who suffer a heart attack for the first time experience something shatteringly unique. In order to adequately care for the patient the nurse responsible must have additional and very specific advanced training beyond that required of the average bedside nurse. She must not only have

the medical and mechanical skills necessary to care for the heart patient, but she must also have the ability to handle the emotional needs of the patient and those of his family. Sometimes just the physical appearance of the monitoring devices used, with all their wires, dials, etc., can produce

apprehension on the part of the patient. Consequently, the nurse must be able to alleviate his fears, calmly explain the purpose and meaning of the equipment, and assure him that what is being done will ultimately help towards his full recovery. As in most emergency situations, the family also experiences apprehension and fear. The nurse must be able to talk with them and assure them that everything possible is being done.

Recently developed techniques for saving the lives of those heart attack victims who would otherwise die of disturbances in the rhythmic beating of the heart have promoted the development of special areas in hospitals where these techniques can be readily applied with sufficient speed. With more and more of our hospitals establishing these separate coronary care units, the role of the nurse assumes even greater importance. From the moment of the patient's admission to the hospi-

tal, the coronary care nurse must be aware of any sudden changes in his condition, must be able to recognize serious complications, and be able to institute proper restorative measures in the absence of the physician.

The principal warning device used by the coronary care nurse is the monitored electrocardiogram; it is essential that she be specially trained in its interpretation. Time is of the essence... survival is frequently a matter of action within seconds, not minutes. She must know which emergency measures to take when dangerous arrhythmias develop which might lead to cardiac arrest if not corrected. She must know at what point to institute such resuscitative measures as defibrillation, pacemaking, external cardiac massage, and assisted respiration. When the physician arrives she must tell him quickly what has been done so far, and then be prepared in whatever steps are to be taken next. Most

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importantly, the coronary care nurse acts to PREVENT the development of serious problems. For example, she must know how to make the proper frequent if small adjustments in the rate of administration of intravenous medication to keep minor electrocardiographic warnings from growing into full-blown serious abnormalities.

Once the emergency is over, the role of the specially trained "Heart" nurse does not end. When the patient is safely past the initial danger point, the tremendous job of rehabilitation begins. Because of the very nature of a heart attack and the physical damage it causes, often the road back to leading an independent and normal life can be a very difficult one, both mentally and physically. With the aid of others on the medical team, the nurse must be able to guide and encourage the patient to re-learn that which was once very simple: to walk, to climb stairs, and to balance activity with rest. To a normally active person, this re-learning process can be most tedious and often the patient becomes quite discouraged. Here again, the nurse makes a significant contribution in encouraging the patient back to a useful and meaningful routine.

To assist the nurse in understanding her role and in keeping up-to-date on new developments in coronary care, the various chapters of the Massachusetts Heart Association sponsor periodic training sessions and seminars. Nurses who are concerned with coronary care also receive the bi-monthly publication "Cardio-Vascular Nursing" to help them keep abreast of the newest developments in the care of patients with heart disease.

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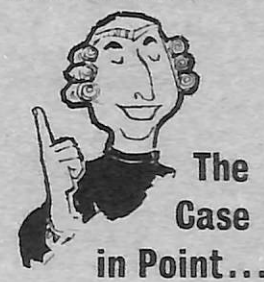
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Wentworth-by-the-Sea, Portsmouth, New Hampshire
as delivered by
Mr. Arthur E. Fairbanks - Vice-President - New England
Northeast Airlines, Inc.

I bring to this gathering both an objective and a subjective viewpoint in discussing the New England region. As a former resident of Pennsylvania, I spent a number of vacations in this Eden-like recreation area with my family and have for many years admired its beautiful lakes, panoramic mountains and valleys and the invigorating ocean air along its heterogeneous coastline. Now as a resident of Massachusetts my interest is possessive.

It has been reported to me that more than four score and seven years ago, this distinguished organization, The New England Council, coined the catch phrase "The Rising Tide Lifts All the Boats." While it is a logical economic assumption (as well as a nautical one), the suggestion evidently fell on deaf ears when applied to the proposition that a solid cooperative regional effort to insure the flow of visitors and vacationers to New England would boost the economy immeasurably and present a more impressive posture to the rest of the world. Several sporadic regional programs were conducted but without adequate financial support. The feeble efforts never attained the viable and effective campaign worthy of the objective. Let us examine the advantages of a "Discover New England Program," the subject we gather to discuss this morning. Please allow me to first assess it as president of Northeast Airlines.

We are proud to be referred to as New England's own airline since we are the only trunk carrier based within the region. We are forever grateful to all of you who have supported us, particularly in our petitions for longer haul service which, as granted, will provide a properly balanced route structure providing financial stability which will insure continued and better New England air service.

We also take pardonable pride in our economic contributions made to the region. Some of them are as follows: People employed in New England - 2200, with an annual payroll of \$19,000,000.; purchases from New England suppliers - \$12,500,000.; rentals \$1,500,000.; local and regional advertising \$500,000.; taxes \$550,000.

An examination of these figures indicates that we have a very substantial stake in the regional economy and have a more than passing interest in its future development.

In addressing myself to the subject and to you, many of whom are owners, presidents or key executives of major industries in New England, I refer to the advantages that can accrue from a professional, well-organized continuing promotional program. We at Northeast in promoting our new airline have gone through the exercise of re-introducing our aircraft, equipment and total product in a bright yellow package. While it is a very expensive project in today's competitive market, it becomes necessary to engage in effective image building. This philosophy holds true in the merchandising of the New England Region.

It has been estimated recently that tourist revenue in the six states is well over a billion dollars a year. While this figure may appear staggering, it must be pointed out that the growth has not kept pace with the national average.

Other sections of the country not so richly endowed with the historic, pre-sold identity of our six-state region have recently compiled groups of states in regional promotional programs and are capitalizing on opportunities that it seems at times we have sought to destroy. Bright spots have appeared within the region in recent months when some of our individual states have been favored with increased promotional budgets and are spending this money effectively. It must be clearly understood that a regional program would not be competitive with the individual state's efforts to extol their own attractions but rather as a supplementary adjunct to put additional muscle into their own efforts.

Traditionally, the states have aimed their blandishments at what they regard as their prime promotional areas of opportunity (within 500 miles of destination). There is an urgent need to reach beyond that radius and ask the rest of the United States and the world to come and see what New England has to offer.

Why is the rest of the world going to be of increasing importance to New England? Perhaps the most compelling reason is giant long-range passenger aircraft.

A recent projection by an aircraft manufacturer, for example, suggests that passenger traffic will double by 1970 and triple by 1975. Double-decked aircraft, capable of carrying up to 500 passengers, will more than double today's aircraft capacity. This will also mean through improved technology and efficient management both a continual decline in the basic fare structure and the introduction of a variety of special fares to generate new traffic. It will bring us both an opportunity for new visitors as well as increasing competition for visitors already coming here. It will soon be no more expensive to ski in Switzerland than at Stowe or to spend a two-week vacation in Paris instead of the Cape.

In just a few years, we will begin to feel our multi-lingual capability gap. We need to think about these things now!

It has been brought to my attention that it has been the opinion of some people that the expenditures made by the New England visitors accrue only to a few business classifications such as hotels, motels, restaurants, transportation services and such. The truth of the matter

is that every segment of the economy stands to gain. The vacationer's dollar, particularly, is a free spending one. The influx of visitors means purchases of taxable items such as tobacco, gasoline and liquor that yield large sums for the state treasuries. The department stores, supermarkets, drugstores, barber shops and many countless service industries and suppliers all benefit. In a flourishing tourist area the banks lend money for building purposes or even improving guest facilities and recreational complexes. The insurance companies issue policies to protect these enterprises. This income dollar circulates very freely throughout the entire community. It all adds up to one truism and it is this: A solidly supported promotional program is a sound investment.

New England industries as well as those in the rest of the country are faced with the growing problem of industrial recruitment. Specialists in the fields of electronics, data processing and other such industries are in great demand. Those engaged in these pursuits in the region are constantly being romanced to re-locate elsewhere. New England has many advantages in this respect, particularly because our terrain satisfies the hobby-quotient of the individual in the four seasons. These ancillary benefits, don't you think, are worthy of further development? And don't you feel that the world should know more about them?

The development of a "Discover New England Program" would provide encouragement to the prospective investor. While we are blessed with many fine hotel, motel, resort and recreational facilities, there is already a need for more and also a need for the improvement and rehabilitation of countless properties. The realization of such a program would do much to act as a catalyst in providing the class of accommodations we need to compete with the rest of the world.

I hope that I have conveyed my enthusiasm in words of support for the need of the program under consideration. From time to time criticism is leveled at us as well as our sister airlines when the question is raised as to what we are doing to encourage people to come and visit us. They point out that we are cajoling the public to "Come On Down." In rebuttal, I would like to report that last spring we ran a series of seven 1000-line ads in Miami announcing a new low "See New England Fare" for \$130.00. This same package was aired by NBC and CBS affiliated TV stations in Miami plus high-frequency radio spots. We did print and distribute over 100,000 color "Yankee Holiday" folders at a cost of \$10,000. These folders were sent to all major travel agents from Key West, Florida, to New York City. Early last summer we brought a group of Florida newspaper, TV and radio personalities on a four-day visit to many sections of New England which produced substantial lineages in their publications and time on the air favoring our region with invaluable exposure.

Frankly, we have been somewhat frustrated in our efforts to put together a package tour because of the unwillingness of many hotel and motel operators to deal with travel agents or to provide available space at certain times. This is a subject deserving of re-examination by the hotel associations.

In closing I would like to salute and congratulate the Vacation Travel Committee of the New England Council in developing the proposal for a "Discover New England Program." It should be actively supported by industrial and business firms in working together to our mutual advantages. This can best be implemented by the already existing framework of the New England Council with over 40 years' experience in six-state cooperation. It is vital that an adequate budget be provided to do an outstanding job. Think not of it as an expenditure but as a solid investment in our future. Do you realize that it has been authoritatively stated that within the next few years travel will be the largest industry in the world? Let's not miss the boat - or jet if you will.

Education Under New GI Bill Over Half Million Vets Seek

Over one-half million veterans have applied for certificates to attend college or take some other form of training under the new G.I. Bill, the Veterans Administration said today.

In a report to President Johnson released today, William J. Driver, Administrator of Veter-

ans Affairs, said that as of December 1st, a total of 288,000 were actually in training, mostly at the college level. Over 49,000 of these also attended summer school under the new law and enrolled for the fall semester. The educational benefits of the new G.I. Bill became effective last

June.

As a comparison, Driver reported to the President that under the Korean G.I. Bill only 65,000 veterans took advantage of educational benefits within five months of the effective date of that law.

"Recalling the gratifying results of the World War II and Korean G.I. Bills, the good early response to the new G. I. Bill promises vast benefits for the entire nation as the educational and economic status of our veteran citizens increases," Driver said.

The VA said one-fourth of the remaining two million eligible veterans have already applied for educational benefits.

Driver said veterans are also taking advantage of the home loan guaranty provisions of the new G. I. Bill in large numbers. Over 220,000 veterans have requested eligibility certificates for such guarantees, with 77,500 applications for approval already received.

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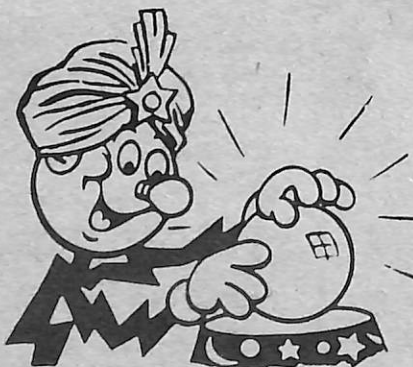
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Composting Important Aid To Gardener, Eliminates Smoke From Burning Leaves

Florence Moreno

Since it is now illegal to burn refuse, which includes grass clippings and leaves, a way to dispose of these materials is through composting.

Composting is one of the most important single practices a gardener can employ. It is an inexpensive way to make a perfectly textured organic material to use as a soil amendment. It not only loosens the soil but adds nutritive value. In addition, it increases the soil's water-holding capacity and serves to hold fertilizer materials in ready availability for use by the roots of the plants.

A compost pile is easy to make. Imagine a layer cake. The material that is added to the pile is like the layers of cake, while the filling between the layers is composed of soil, lime and fertilizer.

The first step is to find a suitable area which will be in the sun for at least 1/2 a day.

There are all kinds of opinions on how to make a compost pile.

Here is one — use garden soil or sod as your base layer, and make a ring, using the full width you plan to allow. Leave the center hollow. Then start your layers, using your kitchen waste, garden trimmings, dead flowers, cut grass, etc. Be sure to keep it all wet and use plenty of lime to keep insects away. Keep the pile from souring. As you keep piling, the hole in the middle will start to fill up, but keep it lower than the outside. This will keep moisture in and keep your pile from forming a pyramid.

Do not let garbage be the top layer when you walk away. Make the top layer each day of grass cuttings, weeds, or soil, so animals won't be attracted.

When rain is not so plentiful, throw a layer of black plastic (or any plastic that's weatherproof)

over the top to retain moisture. Be sure to leave at least one side open. There must be air for bacterial action. The worms must have air, so they can work for you.

LET'S PLAY THE NUMBERS GAME

Some people readily admit their sense of direction is so bad they "can't find their way out of a telephone booth."

Others, needing to know which direction lies where, have to pause to remember the sun rises in the east and settles in the west. Even some of these people have nagging doubts it might be the other way around.

Says State Public Works Commissioner Edward J. Ribbs: "Since both federal and state highway officials have a common goal — to get you where you want to go as quickly and safely as possible, they try to eliminate your being slowed down or obstructed by some driver who doesn't know in which point of the compass he is headed or where he has to turn off for East Over-shoe."

Since the objective can't be obtained by equipping the brain of the chap with a poor sense of direction with radar, they have devised a standardized system of directional and instructional signs.

Many people are of the mistaken belief that highways were numbered in the sequence they were built. For example, Route 1 in Eastern Massachusetts is not the first highway to be built in the state; by the same token, Interstate Route 495, although of recent vintage, is not the 495th highway to be built.

Actually, route numbering is a kind of code or "silent guide" which, when you are familiar with it, is of great help in telling you where you are even if you are in unfamiliar territory. In other words, if you can read a road map correctly and someone tells you to "get lost," you'd have a hard time doing it.

The code system is mainly on the vast interstate highway system, a 41,000 mile network spanning the entire nation — and getting close to completion here in Massachusetts, according to

Commissioner Ribbs.

About 40 years ago when the states agreed to the designation of certain through highways as U.S. Routes, they also agreed the lowest numbers would start in the East and North portions of the nation. Thus, the north and south throughway from Maine to Florida was Route 1, while the east to west throughway from the Atlantic to the Pacific began with Route 2, which starts at the tip of Maine and runs to the Puget Sound, north of Seattle, Washington.

U.S. Route 90 began in Florida and skirted the Gulf states to wind up in California. And U.S. Route 101 follows the Pacific Coast all the way from Los Angeles to the strait separating the State of Washington and Vancouver Island.

When the time came to number the new interstate routes, after 1956, the planners just reversed the process. Low numbers to the west and south, and high numbers to the north and east.

Now, Interstate Route 10, the lowest-numbered transcontinental expressway, extends from high numbers to the north and east.

Now, Interstate Route 10, the lowest-numbered transcontinental expressway, extends from Jacksonville to Los Angeles, while the highest coast-to-coast interstate route is I-90 from Boston to Seattle, Washington. North to south routes are odd-numbered with I-5 on the west coast and I-95 on the east coast, stretching from Miami to Houlton, Maine.

This outlines the main "code," whose numbers tell you whether you are going north or south and east or west. Supplementing these codes are other, too numerous to outline here, but figures preceding the basic route number indicate such things as spur roads, loops, "belts," connectors, and other subsidiary facilities of the major highway system. A glance at any good road map will make you familiar with these codes in a relatively short space of time.

All in all, our highway designation system is one "numbers game" at which you can't lose.

Mass. Fiscal Year Closes With \$134.1 Million Cash Balance

Massachusetts' cash balance at the end of June, which was the close of fiscal year 1967, was \$134.1 million, State Treasurer Robert Q. Crane reported today. This was nearly twice the state's cash balance for the month of May, he said.

Total receipts for the month of June, Treasurer Crane declared, were \$452,313,014.14 as against total disbursements for the final month of the fiscal year of \$390,216,444.35.

The state's cash balance for May, Treasurer Crane reported, was \$72,082,600.40. However, this jumped to \$134,179,170.19 at the end of the fiscal year, June 30.

At the start of the new fiscal year, the Commonwealth's indebtedness was over the one billion dollar mark, State Treasurer Crane added. His report shows Massachusetts' bonded indebtedness on July 1, 1967 as \$1,068,459,000. A year ago the state's bonded indebtedness was \$987,726,000, the treasurer's report shows.

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MELONS—THE DELIGHT OF SUMMER

Asians roast watermelon seeds for a delicacy, Southern Russians serve beer made from watermelons, and Egyptians feed this fruit to their animals as a source of water, but in this country we enjoy chilled fresh melons as a summertime fruit.

Selection of melons for quality is difficult, even for the skilled shopper, says Gisela Fass, Extension Home Economist with the Hampden County Extension Service. Some qualities to look for in some of the more common varieties follow:

CANTALOUPE

Coarse, corky, outstanding netting on the rind. Light green background with a gray or yellow cast under the netting. A slightly sunken, calloused scar at the stem end - to show the melon was mature when picked.

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Symmetrical shape, firm to the touch. Velvety bloom on the surface of the rind. Deep solid green to gray color - depending on the variety. Yellowish color on the underside of the melon - usually a white or pale green color on immature melons. Dark seeds. Red or pink colored flesh is most common, while some new varieties have yellow flesh.

FRUIT-FILLED

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Serve these pretty slices on dessert plates and garnish with at least 6 unstemmed Bing cherries.

Prepare according to pkg. directions . . . 1 pkg. lime-flavored gelatin. Chill until partially set. Slice off one end of a peeled honeydew melon and scoop out seeds and fiber. At the other end, cut off just enough so melon will stand firmly upright. Turn upside down on absorbent paper to drain.

Fold into partially set gelatin . . . 2 cups little sweet green grapes. Fill cavity of melon with lime-grape mixture. Cover with waxed paper and refrigerate until gelatin is firm. (The remaining mixture can be chilled in custard cups or individual molds.) Cut into 1" slices just before serving. Amount: 6 to 8 servings.

MELON MINT

COCKTAILS

Boil for 5 minutes: 1/2 cup sugar, 1/2 cup water. Pour this sirup over: 3 tablespoons chopped mint leaves. Cool the sirup. Strain it. Add to it: juice of 1 lemon, juice of 1 orange. Chill it. Prepare and chill: cantaloupe balls, watermelon balls.

Immediately before serving the cocktail place the balls in cocktail glasses and pour the sirup over them. Garnish them with sprigs of mint.

SPICED WATERMELON

PICKLES

1-1/2 qts. cubed watermelon rind (2 lbs.)
3 tbs. salt
3 qts. water
8 c. granulated sugar
2 c. vinegar
2 tbs. whole cloves
2 tbs. whole allspice
6 3" sticks cinnamon

Select rind from a firm, not overripe, watermelon. Before measuring, trim off green skin and pink flesh, and cut rind in 1" cubes. Soak overnight in the salt and 1 qt. of the water mixed together; drain. Cover with fresh water; cook until tender; drain. Boil together the remaining 2 qts. water, the sugar, vinegar, and spices which have been tied in a

piece of cheesecloth, for 5 min. Add the melon rind, and cook until transparent — about 45 min. Remove spice bag. Turn immediately into hot sterilized preserve jars, and seal immediately. Makes about 1-1/2 qts.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Hampden ss Probate Court
To all persons interested in the estate of ADOLPH MORACZEWSKI otherwise ADOLPH M. MORACZEWSKI late of Agawam in said County of Hampden, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last WILL of said deceased by MYRON MORACZEWSKI of said Agawam, and MIECZSLAW MORACZEWSKI of Westfield in the County of Hampden, praying that they be appointed executors thereof without giving a surety on their bonds.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Springfield, in said County of Hampden, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifteenth day of August 1967, the return day of this citation.

Witness, ABRAHAM I. SMITH, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this seventh day of July 1967.

JOHN J. LYONS, Register
July 20, 27, August 3

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Hampden ss Probate Court
To all persons interested in the estate of MELINA D. CARDONE late of Agawam in said County of Hampden, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last WILL of said deceased by JOHN G. GRIFFIN of Longmeadow in the County of Hampden praying that he be appointed executor thereof.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Springfield, in said County of Hampden, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifteenth day of August 1967, the return day of this citation.

Witness, ABRAHAM I. SMITH, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this seventh day of July 1967.

JOHN J. LYONS, Register
July 20, 27, August 3

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Hampden ss Probate Court
To all persons interested in the estate of GRACE M. SEEVER late of Agawam, in said County of Hampden, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last Will of said deceased by DORIS KRATT GRANDE of Hazardville, in the State of Connecticut praying that she be appointed executrix thereof without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Springfield, in said County of Hampden, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-eighth day of July 1967, the return day of this citation.

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